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Schile and Steven Van Geldern for Ball-throwing Machine.--

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel all claims and add the following new claims:--

9.5 Subject 31
Rule 126 32 A ball-throwing machine including a power head for delivering pitches to different locations, said machine including at least one linear actuator for moving said power head.--

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40. The ball throwing machine of claim 39 including at least two linear actuators for moving said power head in a horizontal and a vertical direction.--

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41. The ball throwing machine of claim 39, further including a programmable controller for controlling the movement of said at least one linear actuator.--

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42. The ball throwing machine of claim 39, wherein said power head includes a center pivot about which the power head is pivoted.--

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43. The ball throwing machine of claim 39, wherein said power head includes at least one wheel for propelling a ball toward a batter.--

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44. The ball throwing machine of claim 43, wherein said machine includes dynamic braking means for rapidly decelerating the speed of said at least one rotating wheel.--

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--45. The ball throwing machine of claim 41, further including a smart card reader adapted to read a smart card for programming said programmable controller.--

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--46. A ball throwing machine including a power head of the type having at least one wheel for propelling a ball toward a batter, dynamic braking means for rapidly decelerating the speed of said at least one wheel, and at least one linear actuator for moving said power head.--

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--47. A ball throwing machine including a power head mounted on a center pivot and a linear actuator for moving said power head about a center pivot.--

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--48. A ball throwing machine including a power head, a linear actuator for moving said power head, a programmable controller for controlling the movement of said linear actuator, and a smart card reader adapted to read a smart card for programming said controller.--

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--49. A method for profiling the pitch of an actual pitcher, said method comprising the steps of:
providing a ball throwing machine of the type having a programmable controller for controlling pitch type, location and speed; and
programming the controller to deliver said profiled pitch.--

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--50. The method of claim 49, wherein a smart card is used to program said controller.--

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--51. A method for profiling the pitches of an actual pitcher, said method comprising the steps of:
providing a ball throwing machine of the type having:

a power head that includes at least one wheel for propelling a ball toward a batter;

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